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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

YOON ET AL.

Examiner

Allen C. Ho

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 January 2007.
2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3, 5, 7-10, 12, 13 and 15 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3, 5, 8-10, 12 and 13 is/are rejected.
7) ☒ Claim(s) 7 and 15 is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 31 March 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities:

Line 21, "sensor" should be replaced by --detector--. See line 5.

Appropriate correction is required.
2. Claim 9 is objected to because of the following informalities:

(1) Line 26, "one" should be replaced by --two--. See lines 6-7.

(2) Line 26, "sensor" should be replaced by --detectors--. See lines 6-7.

Appropriate correction is required.
3. Claim 13 is objected to because of the following informalities:

Line 12, "sensor" should be replaced by --detector--. See lines 6-7.

Appropriate correction is required.
4. Claim 15 is objected to because of the following informalities:

Claim 15 should depend on claim 13.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

5. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

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6. Claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 12, and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 12, and 13 claim at least one radio-opaque fiduciary element that is permanently attached to the housing, which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the art that the inventors had possession of the claimed invention at the time the application was filed. There is no teaching of "permanently" attaching at least one radio-opaque fiduciary element to the housing in the specification.

7. Claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 12, and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because the specification, while being enabling for embedding at least one radio-opaque fiduciary element in the housing, does not reasonably provide enablement for other means for attaching radio-opaque element to the housing. The specification does not enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make the invention commensurate in scope with these claims.

The specification does not enable any person skilled in the art to permanently attach radio-opaque fiduciary element by means other than embedding the radio-opaque fiduciary element in the housing.

8. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

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9. Claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 12, and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

10. The term "permanently attached to the housing" in claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 12, and 13 is a relative term which renders the claim indefinite. The term "permanently attached to the housing" is not defined by the claim, the specification does not provide a standard for ascertaining the requisite degree, and one of ordinary skill in the art would not be reasonably apprised of the scope of the invention.

The specification does not provide a standard for ascertaining what kind of attachment is considered to be permanent.

Allowable Subject Matter

11. Claims 7 and 15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Response to Amendment

12. Applicant's amendments filed 16 January 2007 with respect to claims 1-3, 5, 7-10, 12, 13, and 15 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 1-3, 5, 7-10, 12, 13, and 15 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) or 103(a) has been withdrawn.

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Schulze and d'Hoedt disclosed a temporary arrangement for positioning at least one radio-opaque fiduciary element. Consequently, there is no suggestion or motivation to permanently attach the at least one radio-opaque fiduciary element to the housing.

Conclusion

13. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

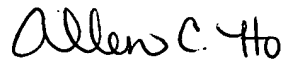
A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Allen C. Ho whose telephone number is (571) 272-2491. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 9:00 am - 6:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward J. Glick can be reached on (571) 272-2490. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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